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## "May God Depend On You" Theme Of BSU Officers' Retreat This Week

"May God Depend on You" will be the theme of the State BSU Retreat for officers to be held this week-end at Delta State College, Cleveland.

Presiding will be Jesse Phillips Grenada, Ole Miss student, who will call the Retreat to order at 7:15 Friday night and announce adjournment at noon Sunday following services at Cleveland's First Church.

Attending will be local BSU officers from more than 20 college campuses as well as State Council members, program personnel and other adult leaders.

Friday afternoon will witness the beginning of registration at 2 o'clock and other Retreat preparatory meetings.

James McCaleb, a Mississippian, but now minister of music and education at First Church, Talladega, Ala., will lead the music.

Speakers will include Dr. Lewis E. Rhodes, Jackson; Rev. O. B. Robertson, Jr., Hattiesburg; and Dr. Perry Claxton, Greenville.

The program will include inspirational messages, conferences, panel discussions, special music and planning sessions.

Officers will be elected Saturday afternoon and installed Saturday evening.



JESSE PHILLIPS

## Lists Signs Of Renewed Interest In Religion

Dr. Edward R. Nelson, pastor of the National Presbyterian Church in Washington, D. C., the church to which President and Mrs. Eisenhower belong, listed ten signs of renewed interest in religion as follows:

1. A reappearance of mass evangelism with such brilliant leaders

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## Tax Bill Has Provisions Affecting Religious Groups

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—The Administration's bill for over-all income tax reform passed by the House and awaiting Senate action contains five provisions of major interest to religious groups.

The most important increase from 20 to 30 per cent of a taxpayer's net income the amount of charitable contributions he may deduct in computing his "net taxable income." It provides, however, that the extra 10 per cent must be limited to gifts to "a church, a convention of association of churches, or a religious order; a regularly established educational institution; or a hospital."

### THE BILL ALSO:

Exempts from paying income tax individuals who assign their entire income to religious orders or charitable institutions or who make such generous philanthropic donations that they give away virtually their entire income. (Editors Note: More favoritism for Catholics.)

Permits clergy men who are not provided with a parsonage or manse to deduct the amount of the housing allowance they are given "to the extent it is used to rent or provide a home." This benefit also is granted ministers working for schools, colleges, hospitals, religious publications or headquarters of religious denominations.

Requires churches, schools, and other tax-exempt bodies to pay income tax on profits they realize from leasing out real estate they own.

Prohibits business firms from listing as "business expenses" deductible from net income, contributions or gifts to charitable organizations unless "some service of commensurate value" is performed by the latter in return for the gift. Business firms retain the privilege of making tax deductible contributions, to a maximum of 5 per cent of net income, to charitable institutions.

## Miss America Urges Youth To 'Live For Christ'

Miami, Fla. —(RNS) — Neva Jane Langley of Lakeland, Fla., "Miss America" of 1953, told high school and college students here that the Christian training received from her parents enabled her to withstand the temptations confronting a beauty queen.

Miss Langley spoke at a Youth Night observance in connection with the "Crusade for Christ," biggest revival in Miami's history.

She urged the youth to "live for Christ" while they are young. The beauty queen said she regards the "crown of righteousness" she hopes to gain for living a Christian life as "far more precious" than the one she won at Atlantic City.

Youth Night highlighted a week-long campaign which drew 45,000 persons to meetings in Bayfront Park and resulted in 1,800 "decisions for Christ." Success of the revival caused the sponsors, the 61 member churches of the Miami Baptist Association, to extend the evangelism drive for an extra week.

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## Southern Baptists 45,000 Strong In St. Louis

St. Louis, Mo. —(BP) — Southern Baptists attending the annual convention June 2-5 will find fifty-seven of the sixty-three Baptist churches here affiliated only with the Southern Baptist Convention. One only with the American Baptist Convention and five with both conventions. In addition there are one hundred Negro churches. The white Baptists have 45,000 members and the Negro 25,000.

Baptist witness began in St. Louis in 1788, but it was not until 1867 that the first Baptist church was organized. John Clark and Thomas Musick are credited with the founding of the first Baptist church in St. Louis.

St. Louis Baptists own \$8,536,220 worth of property and buildings, Work, under the direction of City Missionary Paul Weber, is done among the Jews, foreign people, and students. Weber has five full-time workers on his staff.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

The record of the mission gifts of all the churches in the state from Nov. 1 through April 30 will be carried in the Baptist Record in May.

Since April completes the first half of this Convention year every church is urged to get all its mission funds in before April 30.

## What Baptists Believe About The Holy Spirit

By REV. JAMES B. RILEY

The Holy Spirit is a divine Person and not just an influence. Jesus, in teaching his disciples, refers to him as a Person. He describes the Holy Spirit as such. (John 14:16) and wherever He is spoken of in the New Testament the personal pronoun is used (John 16:13, 14; Matthew 3:16, 17). Since the Holy Spirit is personal in his attributes and character (I Corinthians 2:10) and capable of speech and activity (Acts 8:29; 13:2-4), He can be treated as a Person. He can be grieved (Ephesians 4:30), vexed (Isaiah 63:10), resisted (Acts 7:51) and tempted (Acts 5:9).

Not only is the Holy Spirit characterized as being a Person, but his personality is also that of divinity. He is said to possess the divine attributes of character which are that of being eternal (Hebrews 9:14), omniscient (I Corinthians 2:10), omnipotent (Luke 1:35; Romans 15:19), and omnipresent (Psalms 139:7-13). Galatians 4:6 applies to him the title "Spirit of the Son"; while "Spirit of God" is Paul's designation of him in I Corinthians 2:11.

Going one step further, the Holy



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Spirit is God. Scripture substantiates this for He is addressed as Jehovah (Exodus 17:7 with Hebrews 1:7-9) and in Acts 5:3, 4 He is called God. This precludes the fact that He carries on divine activity. Three such activities in which the Holy Spirit participates are creation (Genesis 1:26, 27 with Job 33:4), initiation of the new birth (John 3:5, 6 with I John 5:4), and inspiration of Scripture (II Timothy 3:16 with II Peter 1:21). All of this is summed up when He is said to be one with the Father and equal to Him (Matthew 28:19; II Corinthians 13:14).

Therefore, it can be said that the Holy Spirit, who is a divine Person, is God.

The purpose of the Holy Spirit's presence in the world is to super-

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## Spanish Baptist Pastor Released

Senor Aurelio del Campo, Baptist pastor of the village church of Navarres, Spain, who was sentenced to 45 days in the Valencia jail on three general charges against his non-Catholic ministry, was released after 15 days by intervention of the governor of the province, according to a report which has just reached the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board headquarters.

Senor del Campo, who was taken to jail February 9, carried with him his Bible and a suitcase full of biscuits to eat in case the food was too bad, the report said. He found the jail officials and workers

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## What Baptists Believe

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Intend divine operation in life and to give direction to God's work through Christian laborers.

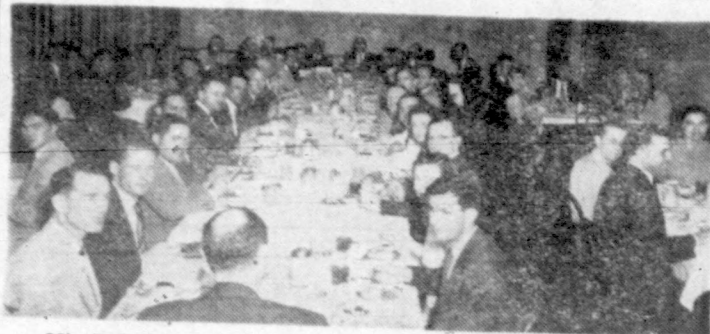
Jesus said that the Holy Spirit is his successor in the world (John 14:16), and in this capacity He, "The Spirit of the Son", appoints, directs, and equips all Christian workers (Acts 20:17-35; 8:26-40; 2:1-21). This includes the setting apart and directing of missionaries (Acts 13:1-5; 16:6-11). Preaching is blessed (Acts 10:44-48) of the Holy Spirit, and unless He gives the power, there is no power in it (1 Peter 1:12). Throughout life the Holy Spirit is the Christian's source of power and courage (Acts 1:8; 4:23-31), and He is his sustainer in the hour of death (Acts 7:54-60). Thus He is the Guide of the Christian (John 16:15). He guides him into all truth.

Beyond the directional purpose of his presence, the Holy Spirit is purposed to be the divine Agent in the world. He it is who convicts the world of sin (John 16:8-11). He acts as the Agent of power in regeneration (John 3:5) and follows through into the work of sanctification (II Thessalonians 2:13). Hence the calling andunctionizing Agent (Hebrews 3:7 and I John 2:20) is the heavenly Helper in prayer and in infirmity (Jude 20; Romans 8:26). The Holy Spirit thereby is the fulfillment of the "other Comforter" spoken of in John 14:16, 17.

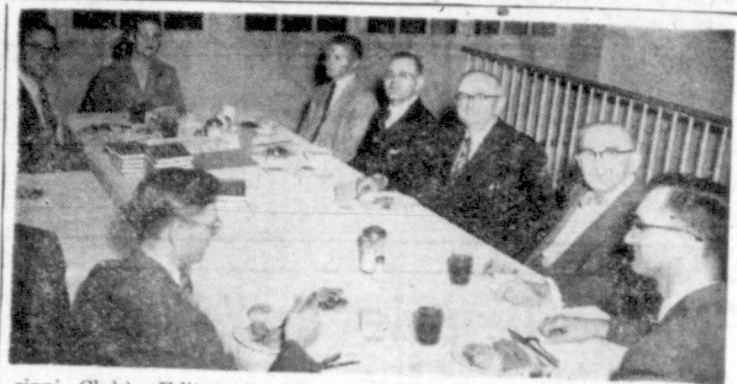
The work of the Holy Spirit is threefold. He has definite tasks to perform in relationship to the Godhead, sinners, and believers. No one can say which is the most important, but as far as number is concerned, his relational duties to the Godhead are more simple. The New Testament teaches but two: the work of glorifying God (John 16:14) and the work of bearing witness to Christ (John 15:26). However, the number of duties which the Holy Spirit performs for sinners is more than two. Simply stated they are these. He brings the sinful soul into a consciousness of personal sin, which is called conviction (John 16:8-11). Having administered reproof for sin (I Peter 1:12), the Holy Spirit strives (Genesis 6:3) to bring the soul to God through an invitation to come to Christ (Revelation 22:17). Thus the final ministry, regeneration (John 3:5-6), is made possible when faith in Christ is exercised.

The Holy Spirit blessed the believer and witnesses (Titus 3:5; Galatians 4:6, Romans 8:15-26) within him while He teaches him truth (John 14:26) and guides him into the way of truth (John 16:13). Progressive evidence of this sanctifying work (I Corinthians 6:11 and Romans 15:16) is found as the Holy Spirit makes the Christian more fruitful of Christian graces (Galatians 5:22, 23). And to the corporate body of Christ on earth, the church, his ministry is that of unification and purification (I Corinthians 3:16; 12:4-8).

This is but a broad outline of who the Holy Spirit is, of what the purpose of his presence in the world is, and of what his work in the world is. But it is an outline of what the New Testament teaches Baptists to believe about the Holy Spirit.



Mississippians and students who are Mississippi pastors were recent guests of the Baptist Record and Editor Goodrich at a dinner meeting in the private dining room of the New Orleans Seminary Cafeteria. Shown above are (left to right) at the speaker's table, Dr. and Mrs. Ted Clarke, Rev. John Merritt (president of the Missis-



issippi Club), Editor Goodrich, Dr. Roland Q. Leavell (Seminary President), Rev. G. W. Gibbens of New York and the father of the Cafeteria dietician, and Joe Barber of the Business Department. The picture on the left shows the students at the filling station.

## Lists Signs Of Renewed

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as Charles Templeton and Billy Graham.

2. A spontaneous rise of laymen's movements in every religious faith.
3. A new earnestness and seriousness on the part of college and university students.
4. A better quality of ministers today — the most promising in generations.
5. The phenomenal sale of the Holy Scriptures.
6. Religious books remain the best sellers, year after year.
7. An increase in the number of radio and television programs accentuating religion.
8. A vast expansion of church members.
9. A great increase in church building.
10. Last . . . and most significant . . . the dedication of our national leaders to Jesus Christ and to the way of faith and prayer.

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## Spanish Baptist

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ers surprisingly sympathetic toward him and the cause he represented.

One Sunday while he was in jail, four of these prison officials went to the Baptist church services in Valencia. One of the men, a first-aid worker in the jail, made a profession of faith.

The report said numbers of the people of Navarres came to see Senora del Campo while her husband was in jail to express their sympathy and surprise that such action had been taken. Some of their comments were: "What has this man done to be taken to prison?" "Such things might happen in an uncivilized place, but this can't be in a civilized country!" "I heard the news in the barbership, and I have come to tell you how sorry I am."

Senor del Campo said upon release: "I shed not a tear of sadness for myself. I had the satisfaction that even in prison I could tell of Jesus."

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## Blue Mountain Quartet To Sing At Ridgecrest

One of the five quarters of Blue Mountain College will sing at the meetings during Baptist Student Union week at Ridgecrest, June 2-10, and during Young Woman's Auxiliary week, June 10-17.

Members of the quartet are Dorothy Slaughter, Mobile, Ala.; Edra Michael, Detroit, Mich.; Sally Branch, Macon; Rose Marie Counts, Durant.

## Tennessee Pastor Leads Gautier, First Revival

First Church, Gautier, has recently completed a series of revival services in cooperation with the Jackson County Simultaneous revival effort.

Rev. Dan Cameron, pastor, First Church, Union City, Tennessee was the evangelist.

The total of 80 decisions included 13 for baptism, 3 by letter 2 surrendered for special service and 62 rededications.

Rev. Paul S. Kirke is the pastor

## Purvis Has 17 Additions

There were 17 additions during the recent revival at First Church, Purvis. Rev. A. B. Pierce, Jackson, was the evangelist.

On high attendance day in Sunday School the goal of 360 was exceeded by 13. The Training Union also reached its goal and had 120 in attendance.

A mission is being sponsored by the church in another section of the town. The first services there were held on Easter Sunday.

Rev. Paul H. Leber is the pastor.

Laurel Hill Church in Neshoba County invites all former members and former pastors to the opening service of their new church building on April 25. Rev. C. C. Cornelius is the pastor.

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Last Year	This Year
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101,416.23	January . . . . . 125,531.07
99,217.49	February . . . . . 103,529.66
88,241.06	March . . . . . 109,337.61
127,437.04	April . . . . .
<b>\$583,725.88</b>	

There are eight days life in "Round-Up" month—April—for us to complete our record for the first half of this Convention year.

What will your church do in order to help us go over the top and complete the period with a victory?

Up through March our percentage increase over last year was 16.30. Our goal for this year however is \$1,500,000, a 25% increase over last year.

## Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

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Executive Secretary-Treasurer

JOE ABRAMS  
Director of Promotion



## Sheriff Pleads For Aid

**Editor's Note:** Below is a letter taken from the Pontotoc Progress, of Pontotoc, Miss. It was written by the sheriff of Pontotoc County. We feel that many sheriffs could and would do a better job if they got some help from the people of their county. Of course, some of them seem to be lax in law enforcement efforts. But here is a plea from a sheriff for anyone who has any information that will help him to enforce the law to make it known. This can be done privately or publicly.

Let all of us in every county help our sheriffs if they will accept our help.

To The People:

In the past few days I have had dealings with a few young people who have strayed outside the law. As I studied and questioned these boys, the cause for their wrongdoings—and they admitted the same—came out as whiskey.

Then I began to wonder why the people elect a sheriff and leave it at that.

I have tried for two years to enforce the prohibition law, and during this time I have found that you really need, and have to have help from the citizens. What are you, as parents and citizens, going to do about this problem? Are you going to stand by and watch a few people make their living selling whiskey, and at the same time ruin the lives of coming men and women? Are you going to sit back and say, "If I tell you anything or turn up 'so and so,' he will burn me out!" or something to that effect?

I think not, especially if you will stop to study just how those few are affecting our country.

If you, as citizens, would join together to combat this one cause, then we can make a big change in our county. Look around you; talk to your children; and then study about this matter; I think things will be different.

I would appreciate hearing from each one who reads this.

C. F. TUTOR,

Sheriff, Pontotoc County.

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## Direct Or Indirect

Our readers will recall that last November the Baptist Record ran a list of the 100 Mississippi Baptist churches leading in per capita contributions and the 100 Baptist churches leading in per capita Co-operative Program contributions.

Again checking over that list, we found some churches noted for liberality far down the list and in some cases not on the list at all. In many instances this is due to the fact that some churches continue to send their money direct. We know of churches that send their Foreign Mission money di-

rectly to the Foreign Mission Board, others directly to the Orphanage.

Their money gets to the proper place and does just as much good as though it were sent through the Convention Board office. However, there is no record of that gift anywhere except in the local church and in the place of receipt.

Several churches would have been on the list of 200 churches published and several would have been higher up on that list had all their contributions been sent through the Convention Board office.

We again urge churches to send their funds through the State Convention Board office. That gives the church and the denomination a complete picture of what is being done. When it is sent direct, although it does just as much good, it does not give a complete picture.

In other words, some churches gave more than the published record indicates but we can only publish what we know about.

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## Tail Still Wags Dog

We recall some years ago writing an editorial calling attention to the fact that in many churches the preliminary program took too much time and often left little time for the pastor's sermon. Attendance in various churches within the last few months has not changed our opinion. Nor have conditions changed very much.

Recently we were in a church where the songs, prayers, announcements, offering, and special music took up 37 minutes.

Twenty-three minutes were left for the pastor to preach a sermon and give an invitation.

Of course, there is no rule against going beyond 12 o'clock but most pastors try to let the people out at twelve. There is no Scripture for this time limit, but it seems to be almost universally accepted.

We again call attention to the fact that the biggest thing about the church service is the preaching of the Gospel and no thing or things should take precedence over it.

—BR—

## Self-Appointed Censor

In a paper that is not doing a thing to build up Southern Baptist work, and whose circulation manager we heard (he did not know we were in the audience) boast of the tricks he used to get Southern Baptist subscriptions, we recently read an article.

The author of the article seems to be a self-appointed censor of Southern Baptists. We hereby concede that Southern Baptists have their faults. In fact, we ourselves have a few of our own, but we feel that the beam and the mote idea would apply. The brother who tries to straighten out Southern Baptists could do a little straightening out among his own group.

The article to which we refer was quite long. It stated that Dr. Nels Ferres was to deliver a series of lectures at the State BSU Convention in North Carolina. The brother then devoted most of the long article to the discussion of Dr. Ferres's modernistic beliefs. We support that the brother's face

was somewhat red when he learned that Baptist leaders in North Carolina cancelled the engagement of Dr. Ferres and he did not deliver this series of lectures. The article referred to had nothing to do with the cancellation. Had the brother waited until the convention was over and had Dr. Ferres delivered the lectures he would have had something. As it is, he let off a lot of steam at a straw man that he had set up.

Yes, Southern Baptists do have faults, and lots of them, but they are not guilty of the charge in the articles referred to above.

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## Do You Want Ride Or Passengers To SBC?

Again the Baptist Record offers its services to those planning to drive or wanting a ride to the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in St. Louis June 2-5.

Those driving and having room for one or more passengers are asked to send to the Baptist Record their names, time of departure, and date of departure.

Those desiring a ride should do likewise.

The Baptist Record will put passengers in touch with drivers and drivers in touch with passengers.

## Our Readers Write

Dear Dr. Goodrich:

You are doing a laudable work in your fight against the legalization of alcoholic liquors in Mississippi. Even though the people of our state vote dry, the forces of the devil, in the person of the liquor interests will nullify the mandate of the majority, but for God-fearing men like you. Every Christian should rally to resist the hellish scheme of Satan in the attempt to force the evil of legal liquor on us. May we pray, and may we fight ere it is too late.

I thank God for men like you.

Attached is a clipping in which the head of one of the largest distilleries admits that legalized liquor does not deter the bootlegger.

HERBERT EVERETT.

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### QUOTES FROM OUR W. M. U. SPECIAL DAY PROGRAM

**MISSIONARY APPOINTEES:** "In the last seven years there have been twenty-seven of our Mississippi Baptist sons and daughters appointed for overseas Mission service and four for Home Mission service. These thirty-one choice young people in our state answered with their lives saying, 'Lord, here am I, send me.'"

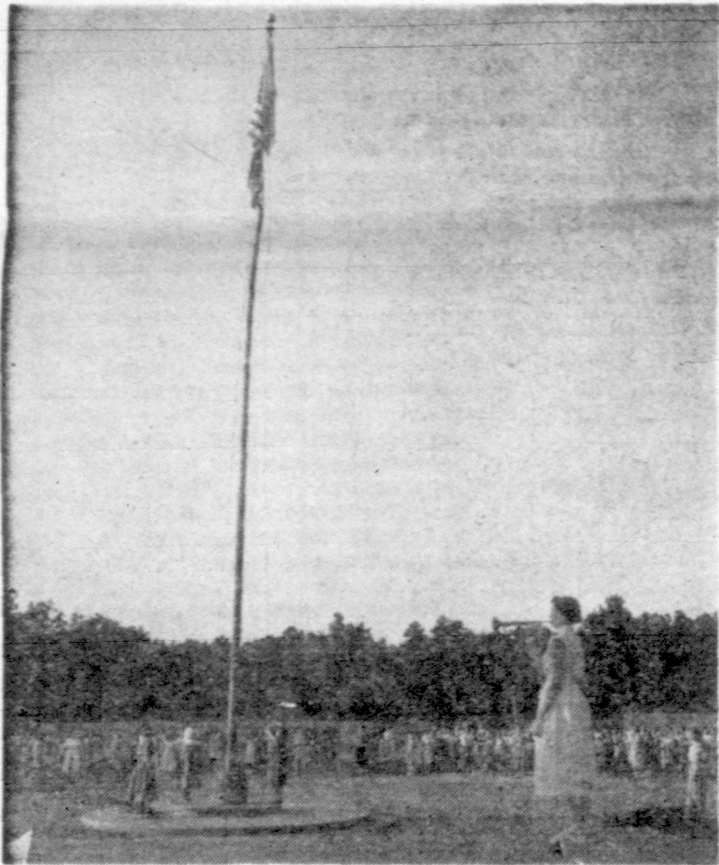
There are supplies and equipment needed for the work to be done; there are household needs, and personal needs must be met. Don't you wish that you might have a part in helping to meet these needs? Wouldn't you love to be one of those to express your gratitude for a dedicated life?" **W. M. U. SPECIAL DAY GIVES THIS OPPORTUNITY.**

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Another phase of today's pioneering in our school is the training offered in the fields of Christian social work. Our day brings increasing calls for those who have had specialized training to fit them for service in orphanages, good will centers, work among underprivileged groups, counseling, case work of various kinds, and other specialized phases of Christian Social service.

Pray for our Mississippi girls in Carver School: Naomi Clifton, our graduate of '54; Jessie Smith, our graduate of '55.

The support Mississippi W. M. U. gives toward the maintenance and support of this school that is especially ours is dependent upon our gifts in W. M. U. Special Day offering."



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## Batson Leaves Clinton Goes To Grenada, First



HERBERT BATSON

Herbert Batson, Minister of Music and Education of the Clinton church, has accepted the call of First Church, Grenada, to assume the same work in that church according to an announcement by the pastor, Dr. John W. Landrum.

A graduate of Mississippi College and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Mr. Batson is well known in Mississippi Baptist circles, this being the second period of service in the Clinton church.

In going to Grenada, he will step into the direction of one of the most progressive programs in Mississippi. A new, fully-equipped educational addition, costing more than \$200,000, will be ready for an organization to accommodate an attendance of 1325 in Sunday school. Another feature of the building is the completely separate facilities for the church music department.

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Southern Baptists gave more to missions during the month of March than in any one month in 1953-54. Porter Routh, executive secretary-treasurer of the Executive Committee announced that Co-operative Program receipts reached an all-time high of \$977,571 in March. All states except six showed increases.

## Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

### FIRST DISTRICT MUSIC FESTIVAL SETS HIGH RECORD

On Monday night, April 19th the District Music Festival was launched in the First Church, Meridian, for District number eight, and a very high standard was set for the following festivals.

There were 26 hymn players, one entry in organ, and 17 choirs and ensembles participating in the festival with a total enrolment of 348.

First Church, Quitman, led in total number of participants with 4 choirs and 134 enrolled in these choirs. Miss Gordy Hughes is Director of Music in the Quitman Church, and Rev. W. L. Meadows is pastor. The listing of all other groups participating will follow in another issue of the Record.

If the other 19 festivals to be held in the state will average the enrolment of the festival in Meridian, our District Festival program will enroll nearly 7,000 participants this year. A goal of 4,000 has been set.

This is an all church program

and churches not entering any hymn players, and choral groups, and instrumental groups in the District Festivals will be losers. Why not plan to enter your church in this great effort?

### DISTRICT FESTIVALS FOR THIRD WEEK

The District Music Festivals for the third week will follow the schedule listed below:

April 26—Hollandale, April 27—First Durant, April 28—First Calhoun City, April 29—Lyon, April 30—First, Ruleville.

The program in each place will open with the hymn playing adjudication at 4:30 p.m. At 5:45 a sandwich spread and fellowship period will be held. Please bring a small package of sandwiches for the spread. The entertaining church will furnish the drinks. Choral and instrumental registration at 7:00 p.m., and Childrens choirs will begin at 7:15 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to all sessions, and we are especially anxious to have a large crowd at the night session to enjoy the choral groups and mass choir concert.

## Bobby Boleware Leads Youth Week At Carson

As a climax to "youth week" which was observed in the Carson church, April 4-11, Bobby Boleware, the fifteen year old son of Deacon and Mrs. L. L. Boleware, preached his first sermon. Bobby was recently licensed to preach by the Carson church.

In addition to Bobby, who served as pastor during "youth week", the following young people also had leading parts: Sunday School Supt., Tommy Boleware; Training Union; Director, Shirley Beth Greene; Deacons and Ushers: Tom Nelson, Tommy Boleware, Jerry Cile, Lavon Holloway, Billy McPhail, Larry Greene, and Buster Jones.

Rev. Montie A. Davis is pastor.

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## Editor, Poet, And Novelist To Speak At BMC At Southern Literary Festival



Feature speakers for the annual meeting of the Southern Literary Festival Association, which will be held at Blue Mountain College April 23, have been announced by Dr. Walter F. Taylor, dean of Blue Mountain, president of the festival. The festival was founded at Blue Mountain in 1938. Pictured left to right the speakers are: Hodding Carter, editor, novelist, and social critic; Peter R. E. Viereck, poet and historian; Thomas Hal Phillips, novelist.

Mr. Carter is author of *The Lower Mississippi*, *The Winds of Fear*, *Floor Crest*, *Southern Legacy*, and *Where Main Street Meets the River*. He is editor of the *Delta Democrat Times*, Greenville, Miss. He is winner of the Southern Literary Award (1945); Pulitzer Prize for Editorial Writing (1946).

As poet, Mr. Viereck is author of *Terror and Decorum*, *Strike Through the Mask!*, and *The First Morning*, and as critic of poetry, of *Dream and Responsibility*. As historian, he is author of *Metaphysics*, *From the Romantics to Hitler*, *Conservation Revisited*, and *The Shame and Glory of the Intellectuals*. Mr. Viereck is winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry (1949). In the summer of 1953 he lectured at the Fulbright Conference on American Studies, Magdalen College, Oxford, England, and at Austrian College, Alpbach Tyrol.

Mr. Phillips is author of *The*

*Bitterweed Path*, *The Golden Lie*, *Search for a Hero*, and various short stories, including "The Shadow of an Arm," anthologized in the O. Henry prize stories for 1951. He was formerly instructor in creative writing at Southern Methodist University. Mr. Phillips holds the Rosenwald Fellowship for Creative Writing (1947), the Eugene Saxon Memorial Award (1948), Fulbright Fellowship (1950) and Guggenheim Fellowship (1953).

Colleges participating in the Southern Literary Festival this year are: Baylor University, Waco, Tex.; Belhaven College, Jackson, Miss.; Blue Mountain College; Delta State Teachers College, Cleveland, Miss.; George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tenn.; Howard College, Birmingham, Ala.; Memphis State College; Midwestern University, Wichita Falls, Tex.; Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss.; Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss.; Mississippi Southern College, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Mississippi State College; Mississippi State College for Women; Southeastern Louisiana College, Hammond, La.; Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Tex.; Southwestern of Memphis, Tenn.; Southwestern Louisiana Institute, Lafayette, La.; State Teachers College, Florence, Ala.; State Teachers College, Jacksonville, Ala.; Union University, Jackson, Tenn.; University of Mississippi, Oxford, Miss.

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The survivor met his girl friend at 6:20 p. m. and "had a couple of drinks." He had already sat in a saloon in Kenosha, Wisconsin, watching a television and "drank a beer an inning."

A party followed with a buffet supper including a "couple of fifths" of whiskey and "several cases of beer." The survivor admitted that they then "felt no pain" but "nobody seemed to be getting out of hand."

They then left for a tour of saloons, but the survivor cannot recall (black-out) where they stopped.

The above information is offered free to the liquor industry for use in their "Man of Distinction" series of advertisements in which they set forth the glory of drinking liquor. In this case it's more gore than glory.

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### Antioch, Lowndes Co. Ordains James Goodman

James Goodman was ordained to the ministry on April 14 by the Antioch Church, Lowndes County.

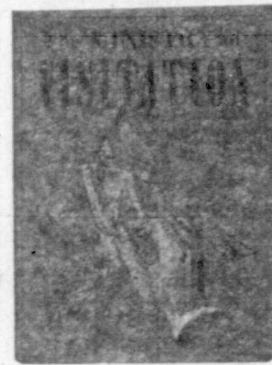
The council, led by the pastor, Rev. C. S. Mullins, was made up of the following: Rev. Jimmie Yarbrough, Rev. C. B. Aston; D. A. Pullen; Rev. C. S. Mullins; G. Fairchild; J. C. Hardin; R. E. Forester; A. Wright.

Rev. Jimmie Yarbrough, Jackson, preached the ordination sermon. Rev. J. B. Love, Clinton, charged the church. Rev. J. B. Edwards, Jackson, presented the Bible from Westview Church, Jackson. J. C. Hardin presented the Bible from Antioch Church. D. A. Pullen led the ordination prayer which was followed by the laying on of hands.

Mr. Goodman is pastor of a church in California. He went there on a mission and established a church.

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### CHRISTIAN HOME WEEK

May 2-9 is the time this year for "Christian Home Week."

This has been a vital part of our program since 1930. The idea of it is to give help and spiritual guidance to the families of our churches. This special week of renewed emphasis will give added impetus to it.

Literature is available for this week and may be secured from the Nashville office. We have in the state office at Jackson a limited supply of the leaflets explaining the plans for the observance of it. We shall gladly send one to you upon request as long as the supply lasts.

### SEMINARY AND RICHTON ARE OVER THE TOP

Seminary and Richton churches in Perry Association have gone over the top in their goal for "A Million More in '54."

This is always good news. Many are the churches that have done this, and we shall be glad for you to write us of others that have made the gains needed for their share of this goal.

Congratulations to Seminary and Richton!

### DON'T FORGET THE BUS

Be sure and write us if you are interested in the bus trip this summer to Glorieta. It is the weeks of July 23-August 6. We have some literature explaining the trip.

### INTERMEDIATE DAY, APRIL 25

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"Intermediates are going to serve someone. If we lead them to be a part of the Sunday school it is likely that they will serve the Lord. If we do not, it may be the devil whom they will serve."

Dr. Stanley Williamson, superintendent of Intermediate Sunday school work, Baptist Sunday School Board, made this statement in announcing the annual observance of Intermediate Day, April 25, in the churches.

Among the purposes of Intermediate day are: to lead older members of the church to renewed appreciation for those thirteen through sixteen, to make Intermediates feel that they are appreciated and wanted, to encourage better enlistment of Intermediates in Sunday school and all phases of church life.

The Intermediates on this special day are urged to bring others of their age range to Sunday school to make a public profession of Christ as Saviour, to rededicate their lives, and to surrender for

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## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

## Mississippi City Mission Is No. 1089

The Mississippi City Mission although not yet an organized church, realizing the need of information about Baptist work at home and abroad has adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Rev. Fred S. Roth is the pastor. The list was sent by the treasurer, John W. Wade.

Record readers in Gulfcoast Association are now listed as follows:

BAY ST. LOUIS, 100; Kiln (Shifalo), 10; LOGTOWN, 30; Lake Shore, 18; BIG RIDGE, 31; BILOXI FIRST, 352; BILOXI, EAST HOWARD, 143; CALVARY MISSION, 30; GULFPORT, 343; GULFPORT, BROADMOOR, 73; GULFPORT GRACE MEMORIAL, 61; FERNWOOD (BOWEN MEMORIAL), 30; HANDSBORO, 116; LONG BEACH 171; MISSISSIPPI CITY MISSION 25; NEW HOPE, 63; PASS CHRISTIAN, 38; Sharon, 15; WEST GULFPORT, 23; WOOLMARKET 35, LYMAN, 37; Riverside, 11; MCHENRY, 21; Pass Road, 19; SUCCESS, 23; TRINITY, 106.

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## Wages Does It Again

As he has done in many other churches, Rev. J. B. Wages has led the Montevista Church in Zion Association to adopt the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

A few weeks ago the church asked that the Record be sent on trial. The people liked the sample and now 32 families of this church are going to keep up with Baptist affairs at home and abroad.

Record readers in Zion Association are now listed as follows:

ALVA, 20; Bluff Springs, 9; Double Springs, 16; CROSS ROADS, 25; Edgeworth, 8; EUPORA, 168; Harmony, 1; FELLOWSHIP (BELLEFONTAIN), 31; Lollar's Grove, 1; MANTEE, 87; MATHISTON, 76; MT. ZION, 35; MT. VERNON, 33; MONTEVISTA, 32; New HOPE 37; Cumberland, 14; Philadelphia, 15; PILGRIM'S REST, 43; Sapa, 1; Spring Creek, 1; Walthall, 2.

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## Successful Revival And Pastor's Anniversary Mark Picayune Church



DR. SAMUEL E. MADDOX

Dr. Samuel E. Maddox, pastor of the First Church, Dothan, Ala., was the evangelist for the recent revival at the First Church, Picayune. Rev. John R. Maddox, his brother, is the pastor, and Cecil Harper of the New Orleans Seminary directed the music.

Mrs. Samuel E. Maddox served as pianist and Mrs. John R. Maddox as organist, and the four choirs brought special music during the services. There were 44 decisions, 18 by profession of faith, 3 by letter, 1 by statement, 15 rededications, and 2 for full-time Christian service.

Easter Sunday marked the end of the fourth year which Rev. John R. Maddox has been with the Picayune church. During these years there have been 532 additions to the church, 208 of these by baptism. The church entered the new educational building and chapel last May. The revamping and air-conditioning of the old building, plus the erection of the new building, including the new furnishings total of approximately \$205,000.00. Of this amount, the church owes only \$3,400.00 which is being paid out through the budget.

The church budget in 1949 was \$32,714.28. The 1954 budget is \$56,000.00. Gifts to the Cooperative Program and missions have increased each year.

Eleven new Sunday School departments have been organized, giving a total of nineteen departments. A Brotherhood, four new Training Union departments, and the graded choir system have all been organized.

## Record Sunday School Attendance Marks Closing Of Main Street Revival

Closing a 15-day revival and observing John Barnes Day, 1,564 persons attended Sunday School last Sunday at the Hattiesburg church. This record attendance figure represents 251 more than the previous high of 1,313 on the preceding Sunday. It came as a result of an intensive visitation campaign throughout the week and an all-night prayer meeting on Saturday night.

Jimmy Halbert is Sunday School superintendent. Fifteen of the 28 departments of the Sunday School had a number present equal to or exceeding their enrollment.

1,100 persons crowded the church



REV. JOHN MADDOX

## Good Program To Feature Library Visual Aids Meet

A thorough discussion of church libraries and visual aids is promised in the church Library-Visual Aids Workshop scheduled for Calvary Church, Jackson, April 30.

Sponsored by the Baptist Bookstore the library workshop will include discussion of the Library Staff, their record; the library committee, their functions; the Library calendar, including Summer Reading Clubs; Church Library Councils, a necessity; books that we have liked; new books in prospect, and a bookworm jamboree.

During the visual aids workshop discussion will include: the effective use of materials for the 16 mm and 35 mm projectors, the selection of proper screens, equipment and non-projected materials, and new materials from Broadman Films and other producers. A new film will be previewed at each session of the workshop.

The Workshop will begin at 9:30 a. m., and continue through the evening session.

Truett Myers, Nashville, will discuss new methods of correlating the Visual Aids and library at the evening hour.

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Bethsaida Church in Neshoba County observed Youth Week April 4-11. Rev. C. E. Tosh is the pastor.

## PHILA., FIRST, CALLS REV. LEE GALLMAN AS INTERIM PASTOR

Rev. Lee Gallman has been called as interim pastor of the First Church, Philadelphia.

Mr. Gallman, a native Alabamian, is a graduate of Howard College and of Southwestern Seminary. He is currently completing his thesis for his Doctor of Theology degree from the New Orleans Seminary.

He is the Director of the Seminary Extension Department sponsored by the five Seminaries of the Southern Baptist Convention with southwide offices located in the Baptist Building in Jackson.

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GARNETTE FAYE ATKINSON

Such a lovely, noble young life was hers. Growing up in her Christian home near Sartartia, beautiful and brilliant, surrendering early for Christian service, she graduated at Blue Mountain. At Southwestern Seminary, she received the B. S. M. degree in voice, with a minor in organ.

She was engaged for a short time in missionary work in the Bahama Islands.

Called to the position of Minister of Music by First Church, Seneca, South Carolina, where she worked for 18 months, she was rendering a great service when she died suddenly on March 19.

Her pastor, Rev. Aubrey Estes, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Von Kaenel, and Mr. Douglas Bradbury, all of Seneca, took part in the beautiful burial service at First Church, Yazoo City.

The survivors are her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Atkinson; a sister, La Verne, four brothers, Robert, Ralph, Don, and J. F., Jr., who is a student at Southern Seminary.

We thank God for such a life

—BR—

## Retreat Speakers



Dr. W. H. Clarke (left) pastor of the First Church, Cleveland, and Rev. O. B. Robertson, pastor of Central Church, Hattiesburg, will speak during the State Retreat for B. S. U. officers at Delta State this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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## Hebron Church Observes Youth Week

The Hebron Church of Jones County observed YOUTH WEEK April 4-11. Charles Pickering, served as Pastor; J. D. Hodges Assistant Pastor, and James McLaurin Choir Director.

Goals of 100 were set for Sunday School and Training Union. These goals were reached with 109 in Sunday School and 100 in Training Union.

There were four additions to the church. Rev. Fred E. Robertson is the pastor.

## Fellowship, Greene Co. Calls Kenneth Roberts



REV. KENNETH ROBERTS

Rev. Kenneth Roberts, ministerial student at Mississippi College, has accepted the pastorate at Fellowship Church in Greene County. Fellowship Church is one of the full-time churches in that association.

Mr. Roberts is a Korean War Veteran and is married and the father of one child. This is his first pastorate.

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The Cato Church, Rankin County will have its Centennial Celebration on May 9. The program will start at 10:00 o'clock and conclude around 3:45, with lunch on the old table on the grounds at noon. The history of the church will be given that afternoon by one of the former pastors, Rev. Sowell G. Pope.

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The Highland Church, Meridian, Dr. Levon Moore, pastor, has voted to build a new pastatorium.

—BR—

A young business man said to me a little while ago, "Brother Jack, I want to close my business on Sunday and get back to church and to serving the Lord as I should. Will you please ask the people to buy on Saturday so that I can close on Sunday without pressure being put on me from the church members?" What about that? Are you willing to begin buying on Saturday? This young man is really in earnest. He needs help. Let's do our part. Someone said that there would be very few business places open on Sunday if church people did not make purchases then. It is true!—Dr. Jack Southerland.

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### Theme of District Conventions Announced

"In the Power of His Might," the theme for the sixteen district Training Union Conventions scheduled for next month, will be featured in each item on the program. It is a full program and one each Training Union member will find well worth attending.

During the afternoon session the district finals in the Junior Memory Work Drill, the Primary Story Time and the Young People's Speakers' Tournament will be the highlights along with departmental conferences. The Adult Mission Story Feature and the Intermediate Sword Drill will be a part of the evening session following lunch which is to be served by the host church.

The closing message of the convention will be on the theme and in many of the meetings will be given by one of the out of state workers who will be making the tour.

The suggested program for the convention follows:

**AFTERNOON SESSION**  
 1:30 Registration  
 2:00 Singing His Praise  
 2:15 "Put off . . ." Devotional  
 Ephesians 4:22, 25-32  
 2:30 Announcing judges and appointing committees  
 2:40 "That Ye Might Know . . ."

### General Conference: "I Have A Question."

3:10 "The Sword Is The Word"  
 The Junior Memory Work Drill  
 3:35 "Shod With Preparation . . ."

Departmental Conferences  
 4:20 "In The Nurture Of The Lord" Primary Story Time

4:35 "That Ye Might Know . . ."  
 Symposium: "That Won't Work At Our Church."

5:05 "Stand Girt With Truth . . ."  
 Young People's Speakers' Tournament

5:45 Recognition of district winners  
 5:55 Evening meal served at host church.

**EVENING SESSION**

6:45 Singing His Praises  
 6:55 "Put On . . ." Devotional:  
 Ephesians 6:11-17

7:10 "Make Known The Gospel."  
 Adult Mission Story Feature

7:30 Electing officers and reporting committee activities  
 7:45 "That Ye Might Know . . ."

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8:05 "Take The Sword Of The Spirit . . ." Intermediate Sword Drill

8:30 Hymn  
 8:33 Recognition of district winners

8:35 "In The Power Of His Might" Message.



"One hundred per cent reading His word. The picture of the members of the union includes the following: Mr. John McCain, Oscar Carradine, Bill Jones, Paul Watson, Jr., Mrs. John McCain, James Sanders, Alice Rose, Pat Bunch, Lillian Fulmer, Mary Anna Burt, Barbara Boulter, Mickey Mackey and Peggy Ready.

For three Sundays they failed to measure up. Then more phone calling, more reminding and still more urging was done. The Bible Readers' Leader, Mary Anna Burt, worked hard to make the drills challenging. Then came success! For six Sunday nights straight the entire union was one hundred per cent in Bible readings.

They knew pride in their achievement, reports Mrs. W. Lowry Comper, the pastor's wife, but far more, they knew better than ever before the Master's daily guidance instruction and strength because they had been faithful to

His word. The picture of the members of the union includes the following: Mr. John McCain, Oscar Carradine, Bill Jones, Paul Watson, Jr., Mrs. John McCain, James Sanders, Alice Rose, Pat Bunch, Lillian Fulmer, Mary Anna Burt, Barbara Boulter, Mickey Mackey and Peggy Ready.

### Satartia Has Successful Study

Rev. and Mrs. Victor C. Johnson, Mrs. Donald Martin and Miss Bobbie Sue Williams were the faculty for a successful week of study recently at the Satartia Baptist Church of Yazoo Association.

Mr. E. L. Williams, the Director, reports an average attendance of 103 for the week with a high attendance of 112 on the Sunday evening following the course.

## Sparks & Splinters

Friendship Church in Natchez recently completed a series of revival services in which there were 13 additions, 11 by letter and 2 by profession of faith. Rev. Bob Parker is the pastor; Rev. W. J. Hughes was the visiting evangelist, Clarence Bule led the singing. There were a number of rededications.

Dr. S. R. Woodson of First Church, Columbus, was with pastor H. J. Rushing and the First Church, Lawrenceburg, Tenn., in a recent revival. There were 31 professions of faith, 5 additions by letter and 4 rededications during the meeting.

**BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., April 20**—The weekly bulletin of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark., has this to say regarding the service of Rebecca Tune, Tupelo, who is educational director of that church: "No Youth Director in all America has done more for a church and for young people than our own Rebecca Tune." Miss Tune, who graduated from Blue Mountain College in 1951, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Tune of Tupelo.

According to Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, Director of Evangelism, reports coming in from simultaneous revivals, give us this information. Lee County Association, Twelve churches participating, report 125 baptisms, 71 received by letter with 36 rededications and 3 surrendering for full time Christian service. Pontotoc County Association: Eight churches participating, with 57 baptisms, 10 coming by letter, and 1 other profession. Riverside Association, Fourteen churches participating along with 4 missions, report 223 baptisms, with 130 additions otherwise.

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the 33rd annual session of the Oktibbeha County Association. It was held with the Adato Church and the First Church, Starkville, October 8, 9, 1953. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

The father of Rev. Boyd Armstrong, pastor of Southside Church, Columbus, passed away April 3 after a long illness. He had been a deacon for twenty years and was active until the last few months of his life. He was 59 years of age and the father of two other children. His home was Frankfort, Kentucky.

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (BP)**—The convention-wide Conference of Baptist Theological Students will strive for more effective operation and set up a permanent office in the Baptist Fellowship Center in Louisville. Action was taken at the ninth annual meeting of the group in session at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary early this spring. The group also voted to change the name of the organization to the Fellowship of Baptist Theological Students.

Rev. H. J. Bennett, pastor at Byram, was the evangelist in a recent revival at Westover Church, Jackson, Tennessee. There were 47 decisions, 30 for baptism, many of whom were over 50 years of age. Rev. Bob Patterson, a former Mississippian, is the pastor.

The Forty-First Avenue Church, Meridian, Rev. T. L. Pfeifer, pastor, has voted to launch a \$20,000 building fund drive.

## Editor Questions Right Of School Board To Require Teacher To Teach Dancing

**ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (RNS)**—A school system's insistence that its employees teach dancing has been termed a violation of religious liberty here.

Dr. Lewis A. Myers, editor of The Baptist New Mexican, made the charge after inquiring into the resignation of Miss Josephine Branton from the Santa Fe, N. M., public school system.

"The basis of her resignation was given to the board as 'objecting to dancing,'" Dr. Myers said. "We feel that the board should not have accepted the resignation since the young lady made it clear that her objections were religiously based."

The editor observed that dancing instruction was a common requirement of public schools, but he deplored any instance of "toching against religious scruples."

"In the field of morals," he

said, "the state has run surreptitiously over the rights of the church in legalizing whiskey, gambling and other actions which discriminate against the church and her idealism."

"Now, add one more, violate her tenet on religious liberty and we have step by step moved to void much that is dear to the hearts of a free people."

(Editor's Note: To force a teacher to teach dancing is going too far. Dr. Myers is a native of Simpson county.)

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In a recent meeting, the First Church of Charleston voted to give 20 percent of its income to the co-operative program instead of 17 percent. It also voted to give 5 percent of its income to the support of an associational missionary for Tallahatchie Association. Rev. Landrum P. Leavell is pastor.

## With 187 Units In, Balloting Is Urged For New Security Plan

By **CHESTER L. QUARLES**  
 Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Members and churches are urged to send in their Ministers Security Plan ballots as Mississippi nears the required number of 231 units necessary for adoption of the Plan in the state.

A unit is the combination vote of a member and his church. On April 16 the Dallas office of the Relief and Annuity Board reported Mississippi as having 187 units. To date however 65 extra member cards and 37 extra church cards have been received.

Every week additional cards are received to match some of those already in to form additional units.

Three states, Maryland, Arizona and the District of Columbia, have already reached their quota.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Fred Wilson, Cleveland; James L. Naron, Cleveland; Roy Griffin, Cleveland; Rev. Joseph W. Oliver, Cleveland; H. L. Weeks Natchez; Lanus P. Hammack, Natchez; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Franks, Killen, Texas; William R. Franks, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Warren S. Thompson, Starkville; Mrs. Emma Lee Bowers, Jackson; Olen E. Nall, McCullough, Alabama; Gladys Bryant, Decatur; Rev. Dewey E. Merritt, Charleston; Rev. Frank Armstrong, Mathiston; Rev. Dolfis Hardin, Maben.

In connection with the simultaneous revival meetings, Mt. Zion Church in Choctaw Association recently held revival services. There were nine additions. The associational missionary, Rev. J. C. Allen, was the evangelist. Rev. Ike Anderson is the pastor.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: W. A. Whitten, Louisville, Kentucky; R. D. Russell, Jackson; Rev. A. W. Talbert, Brookhaven; Rev. Chas. A. Thompson, Tylertown; Rev. G. E. Guntharp, Booneville; Rev. O. H. Petty, Petal; Dr. James E. Southerland, Oxford; Ralph H. Young, Pascagoula.

## Van Hardin To Lead Beaumont Revival

Revival services will be held at First Church, Beaumont, April 25-30. Rev. Van Hardin, pastor at Lucedale, will be the evangelist and pastor W. L. Harrison will lead the music.

There will be "dinner on the ground" Sunday, April 25.

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Mr. and Mrs. William H. Ferrell Southern Baptist Missionary appointees to Argentina who recently arrived on their field of service, have moved from Buenos Aires to Cordoba, where they will serve as general evangelistic workers. Their address is Chalet "Catalina" Calle Nicanor Carranza, Cerro de las Rosas, Cordoba, Argentina. Mr. Ferrell is a native of Greenville, and Mrs. Ferrell, the former Opal Miriam Young, is a native of Port Gibson.



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## RETREAT SPEAKERS



DR. LEWIS E. RHODES



DR. PERRY CLAXTON

Dr. Lewis E. Rhodes and Dr. Perry Claxton, pastor of Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson, and First Church, Greenville, respectively, will speak to the State Retreat for B. S. U. Officers Meeting.

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — (BP)—Have you made your hotel reservation for the Southern Baptist Convention meeting here May 30-June 5? Better do so as the deadline is May 9. Address your reservations to Convention Publicity and Tourist Bureau, SBC Reservations, 931 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo.

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION

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Jackson, Highland	162	97
White Rock Mission	12	
Pearl (Rankin)	167	94
Byram (Hinda)	166	142
Jackson, Southside	399	156
Jackson, Ridgecrest	287	101
Jackson, Parkway	1243	500
Flowood	139	134
Jackson, North Side	552	106
& Jackson, First	1693	509
Paul Truitt (Rankin)	154	66
Jackson, Calvary	1578	332
Mission	119	61
Macedonia (Lincoln)	206	123
Richland (Rankin)	103	93
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	707	284
Jackson, Van Winkle	544	252
Jackson, Crestwood	709	434
Jackson, Robinson St.	205	
Laurel, Wildwood	241	85
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	564	151
McComb, East	475	198
Clarksdale	438	72
Long Beach, First	330	81
29th St. Mission	61	
Main Church	269	
Petal, First	145	85
Petal, Harvey	426	133
Main School	380	
Harvey	46	
Corinth, Tate St.	338	94
New Sight (Lincoln)	154	84
Oral (Lamar)	101	63
McComb, Locust St.	115	67
Picayune, First	707	188
Marks, First	261	75
Crowder	188	94
Glenfield (Union)	127	79
Springfield (Adams)	95	42
Cranfield (Adams)	93	48
Vicksburg, First	708	197
Picayune, Roseland Park	234	100
Clinton	512	245
Concord (Choctaw)	117	89
Amity (Chickasaw)	79	49
Taylorville	169	99
Zion (Pontotoc)	166	81
Meridian, Highland	603	194
Bethlehem (Jones)	332	196
Friendship No. 2		
(Tallahatchie)	156	57
Mantee	168	52
Lambert, First	207	103
Hickory Flat	209	99
Mt. Pleasant		74
Laurel, Joe Wheeler	98	60
Laurel, Second Ave.	516	119
Laurel, Harmony	187	80
Hattiesburg, Main St.	1564	345
Skene	147	95
Ruleville	362	140
Main Church	335	92
Calvary Mission	27	48
West Point, Calvary	290	120
Crystal Springs, First	936	212
Bay St. Louis, First	174	64
Bellefontaine (Jackson)	101	75
Harmony (Tippah)	109	90
Yazoo City, First	596	165
Oak Grove (Yazoo)	77	96
Wheeler Grove (Alcorn)	183	168
Bruce	336	70
Shiloh (Marion)	68	74
New Albany, First	858	202
Mission	42	
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	193	76
Grenada, Emmanuel	313	97
Main Church	279	92
Futheyville Chapel	34	5
McComb, Locust St.	115	67
Columbus, First	1107	294
Columbus, East End	336	99
Hattiesburg, Immanuel	427	135
Philadelphia, First	416	103
Laurel, West	579	169
Houlka	155	80
Laurel, Highland	229	94
McComb, North	129	60
Friendship, McComb	216	92

## Baptist TV Show Rates First In Popularity Poll

"Bible Story Time," a 15-minute live television show for children which appears on WSB-TV at 6:30 o'clock each Thursday night, has been rated in first place in a popularity poll of television programs appearing at that time of day in Atlanta, Georgia.

In a survey made by the Association of Research Bureaus, 500 viewers of television were contacted and asked which program they were watching when called. "Bible Story Time" received the high rating of 9.4. Next most popular program ranked 7.8 and the third, 3.3.

This popular television feature is sponsored jointly by the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention with WSB-TV.

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The First Church, Columbus, Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor, has voted to air-condition its auditorium before summer.

Laurel, First	786	171
Purvis, First	298	70
Liberty (Winston)	105	105
Charleston, First	506	166
Calvary (Gulfcoast)	94	35
Yazoo City, Calvary	237	146
Itta Bena, First	258	83
Tutwiler, First	176	100
Ellison Ridge (Winston)	69	44
Spanish Fort	70	31
Holly Bluff	127	81
Kosciusko, Second	212	148
Greenwood, Calvary	460	167
Calhoun City, First	395	137
Gulfport, New Hope	186	72
Canton, Center Terrace	325	116
Friendship (Jackson)	116	82
New Hope (Marion)	248	144
New Prospect (Lincoln)	189	137
Biloxi, Trinity	242	50
Grenada, First	718	135
Longview, Oktibbeha	129	84
Cleveland, First	643	117
Main School	568	
Chinese Mission	65	
Shady Oak	10	
Brownsville, Beulah	101	53
Darling	93	55
Fair River (Lincoln)	119	67
Clarksdale, Riverside	277	105
Wayside (Yalobusha)	69	
Stonewall	161	77
Pascagoula, First	1110	419
Main School	845	248
Jackson Ave. Chapel	119	72
McArthur Chapel	81	66
Orange Grove Chapel	65	33
Morton (Scott)	323	120
Main Church	307	
Mission	16	
Kosciusko, First	1019	335
Greenville, Second	608	200
Hernando, First	240	87
Meridian, South Side	499	177
Aberdeen, First	469	174
Brookhaven, First	1008	347
Main Church	845	261
Southway Chapel	120	55
Halbert Heights Chapel	43	31
Jackson, Broadmoor	500	189
Gulfport, First	1218	325
Soso, First	109	55
Gulfport, Broadmoor	210	85
Pelahatchie	173	71
Main School	151	
Mission	22	
Newton, First	491	202
Hattiesburg, Temple	618	183
Gillsburg	266	220
Hebron (Jones)	97	56

## Rev. J. H. Street Goes To Arkansas



REV. JOHN STREET

Rev. J. H. Street, pastor of the Second Avenue Church, Laurel, has resigned his position, effective May 15 to accept a call to become pastor of the First Church, Conway Ark.

Pastor Street went from the post of secretary of the Brotherhood department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board to the Laurel Church on May 1, 1947. During his tenure the church has experienced far-reaching changes in facilities, organization and program.

Only recently the auditorium section of a new church plant has been completed, having been added to an educational unit which was finished and occupied in 1949. The total structure, including equipment, cost \$250,000. An educational secretary was engaged soon after Pastor Street began his ministry with the church; and soon thereafter a part-time office secretary was employed. The church soon opened a nursery and a library.

The church has led Jones County in recent years in Sunday School awards granted. The new auditorium is equipped with Baldwin organ, including inside and tower chimes. The Sunday School has fifteen departments; and the April average attendance has been 531.

The Streets have one son, Herbert, who is finishing his third year in Vanderbilt School of Medicine. The city of Conway is the site of Arkansas State Teachers College and Hendrix College (Methodist).

The Rev. Mr. Street has been active in denominational life. He is a member of the Advisory Committee of the Baptist Record and a trustee of Clarke College and has held other positions of importance.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP)—The average pastor's salary of Southern Baptist churches last year, by size of membership, was as follows: 1 to 400 members, \$1,458; 400 to 750 members, \$3,949; 750 to 1,000, \$4,833; 1,000 to 1,500, \$5,383; 1,500 to 2,000, \$6,004; 2,000 to 3,000, \$6,978; 3,000 and above, \$8,894. Almost 11,000 pastors were paid less than \$1,000 and 16,223, less than \$2,000, while only 293 were paid more than \$7,000. A complete study of pastors' salaries is carried in the 1954 Southern Baptist Handbook, available the last of May.



## Brotherhood Department

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary  
JO ANN SUMMERS, Office Secretary

### GLORIETA SPEAKER

Dr. S. B. Platt of Columbus, Mississippi, will be one of the featured speakers at the convention-wide Brotherhood Conference to be held at Glorieta, July 3-7. Dr. Platt is the Mississippi member of the Brotherhood Commission. He is an honored and respected citizen of his community and a leader in his church.

### BROTHERHOOD ENCAMPMENT SPEAKER

Gordan Sansing, The Mississippi Baptist Wit, will conduct a fun session after each meal at the Brotherhood Encampment, July 9-10. His part on the program is labeled "MONKEY BUSINESS." Plan now to attend and hear a lot of old jokes.

### WHAT THE BROTHERHOOD IS

"A Church Brotherhood is a group (large or small) of consecrated men, members of the church who have banded themselves together for the sole purpose of promoting the whole program of their church and denomination"—Schroeder. "A brotherhood is a group

of consecrated men in the church, striving to carry out the will of Christ and trying to get all other men to do the same"—West. "A Brotherhood is two men going"—Tull. "A Brotherhood is a group of consecrated men banded together in the local church by common experience and motive to understand and practice the teachings and commands of Jesus Christ in their own lives, in their church, and in our denomination"—Farmer

The purpose of the Brotherhood is to undergird the program of the church.

The work of the Brotherhood is to enlist all the men of the church to:

- 1) Support and strengthen the Pastor
  - 2) Undergird and promote the whole program of their church
  - 3) To sustain and project our great denominational causes "unto the uttermost part of the earth."
- The Brotherhood is nothing more or less than the men of a church mobilized to promote the entire program of their church and denomination.

## Carroll, Montgomery Counties Meet In Evangelistic Conference

Carroll and Montgomery Associations met jointly in an Associational Evangelistic Conference in First Church, Winona, April 12.

Rev. Otis Seal of Itta Bena gave the inspirational address. Heads of the different associational organizations were present and told how they would help in the Simultaneous Revival Crusade in 1955.

Rev. C. B. Hamlett, Chairman of the Joint Missions Committee, presided over the afternoon and evening sessions. Mr. Judson DeFoore, Associational Music Director, was in charge of the music. The Winona, First Choir rendered special music.

Rev. W. Martin Smith of Carrollton was named General Chairman of the Steering Committee, and Rev. John B. Laney will serve as Church Endowment Chairman. Eleven pastors were present and signed pledges of personal participation, and their intentions of leading their sixteen churches to participate. Mt. Olive Church in Carroll county voted in January 1954 to take part in the two week crusade. March 27 April 10, 1955.

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**CORRECTION:** The April 15 issue of the Baptist Record stated that the annual statewide Church Library-Visual Aids Workshop would be held at Calvary on Friday, May 30. The date should have been and is April 30.



REV. J. D. NAZARY

Shown above is Rev. J. D. Nazary, pastor of West Church, Jackson, who will be the evangelist in a revival meeting at Trinity Church, Mawamba county, April 25-May 7. Rev. W. G. Beam is the pastor at Trinity.

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On March 30 at Baptist World Alliance Headquarters a portrait of Dr. George W. Truett was unveiled. C. Oscar Johnson presided, and Louie D. Newton, J. M. Dawson and Mrs. Dawson, W. H. Jeram and others participated in the service.

## I DO THE BEST I CAN

BY LEE GALLMAN

"I do the best I can." It may be so, for not many preachers are actually lazy. Of course you will find some now and then who, for some pathological reason or another, have the characteristic of inertia, but most Baptist preachers are energetic. Many of them would do far more than they are doing now if they had the "know-how." When the "know-how" is lacking in matters which require energy also, someone will mistake the form for the substance. It is not always fair to refer to a preacher as a lazy preacher, unless he is actually an addict of inertia.

But when a preacher announces that, "I am doing the best I can," and the best that he is offering is not enough, or when he says, "I do the best I know," and what he knows is not adequate; is he correct to state that he is doing the best he can, or that he is doing the best that he knows?

Not too long ago I talked to two pastors in one of the deep South's states. These pastors were within fifteen miles of a college extension center. The associational missionary was giving his time directing the center. Pastors were taking time out from their busy schedule to share their experiences in learning which they had while in the seminary. Yet these two men who were less than thirty minutes from a golden opportunity failed to accept it. Both expressed their desire for more knowledge. Both stated that under the present circumstances they were "doing the best they could." I replied to them, "You may be doing the best that you know, but you are not knowing all that you will be held responsible for knowing. Your denominational college has placed in your very door an extension center, and if that were not enough, the Seminary Extension Department of the Southern Baptist Seminaries will place in your mail box, the know-how for developing and growing a better church and a better program, a more intelligent people and a better community."

It might be well to point out that we can never say that we are doing the best we can when we know there is a better way, or that we can learn a better way. The Seminary Extension Department offers a course of study, a plan for study, materials for study, designed and developed for the purpose of helping the pastor and church leader to grow into a better worker. You owe it to your self to be a better worker for the Lord. For further information write Leo Gallman, Director, Seminary Extension Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

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**NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) —** The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention will hold its semi-annual meeting June 23-24, 1954, in Nashville, Porter Routh, executive secretary, announced.

The Promotion Committee will meet June 22, Routh said.

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"There are 900 new churches needed every year in the Southern Baptist Convention area just to take care of the increase of population," Courts Redford, Executive Secretary, Home Mission Board, BAPTISTS IN NEW ORLEANS.

## To Appear On Retreat Program



REV. CHARLES EVERITT

Rev. Charles Everitt (left), Bolivar Association's Missionary, and Miss Nell Taylor, State W. M. U. Young People's Secretary, will appear on the program of the State Retreat for BSU officers at Delta State on Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this week.



MISS NELL TAYLOR

## SOUTHERN BAPTIST CAMPUS DIRECTORY SELLS FAST—OVER 7000 COPIES SOLD

NASHVILLE, April 1—(Special)

—Prepublication orders for more than 7,000 copies of the Southern Baptist Campus Directory, published March 26 by the Education Commission, Southern Baptist Convention, have been filled according to an announcement by Dr. R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary of the Commission. Most of these copies were sent to pastors, church libraries, and schools.

Edited by Dr. Cornett and Dr. Freeman H. Beets, assistant to the executive secretary, the Directory is a 176-page guide to Southern Baptist Educational institutions. It contains two pages of pertinent material on the history, location, curriculum, accreditation, student organizations and activities, religious life, basic costs, and student aid about each of the 68 colleges, seminaries, Bible schools, and academies operated by Southern Baptists in 17 states from California to Virginia.

In addition, the publication has two pictures on each of the schools and sections on professional and specialized education in Southern Baptist colleges, the Baptist Student Union, the Education Commission, the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools, and a resume of One Hundred Years of Christian Education. Also included are statistical reports and tables showing subjects offered at each of the colleges and other data about the schools.

Copies of the Directory are available from the office of the Education Commission, Southern Baptist Convention, 127 Ninth Ave., N. Nashville 3, Tenn. The price, postpaid, is \$1.00.

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**London —(BP) —** Citizens of twenty British cities will be able to hear Billy Graham, evangelist, in their own cities while he speaks from London. Plans are made to link the twenty cities each night by telephone so the evangelist can be heard simultaneously over public address systems. This is the first time Graham has tried any such thing.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (RNS)

A Southern Baptist Convention official said here that, on the basis of the number of participating churches, the Lenten evangelistic campaign in Oklahoma County was the largest of the simultaneous crusades held in the denomination. Dr. C. E. Matthews of Dallas, Tex., evangelism secretary of the Convention's Home Mission Board who directed the campaign here, said that 86 white and 31 Negro churches in the county participated. Some 30 evangelists from 15 states were brought to Oklahoma County for the campaign in Baptist churches here.

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## Sunday School Lesson

By Dr. L. Bracey  
Campbell  
April 25

### SECESSION OF THE NORTHERN STATES FORETOLD

I Kings 11:4-12:24.

#### I. AN OLD MAN SEES STRENGTH IN YOUTH.

Who was it once said that there are three generations between hickory shirt and hickory shirt? by which he meant that a young man will begin at the bottom of the ladder of success in business and, by dint of simple living and hard labor, build a big business and a big fortune. But the son or sons be beguets and rears during the period of his vigor and business enterprise, do not partake of the frugal habits or the industry of their father, grow up in idleness and prodigality, in softening habits and luxurious living. They dissipate in the "old man's" fortune and die poor, so that the grandsons of the founder of the fortune find themselves penniless.

It sometimes falls out the same way in any line of endeavor. Here was the wise old Solomon, son of David the great king and man after God's own heart. David had come up the hard way from the sheepfold and, for the most part, had walked in the good way. True, he had committed a grave crime which led him to the commission of an even greater one, but his fault having been called to his attention by God's stern old prophet, David left the world a model genuine case of repentance for all time. His life on the whole was a good life, though it tended in its later years ever a bit more toward the bad way begotten by luxury and loose living in his court.

It was in this court of David that his son Solomon was born and bred, Solomon the wise, whose youth gave such golden promise of a life wholly devoted to the pursuit and performance of the good, but whose environment proved too strong for his resolution to be good for the sake of his people and his people's God.

Solomon spent all the treasure that David had gathered for the building of the temple, had run up expenses that had eaten into the wealth of the country, had burdened his people with taxes that ate into their resources so that the treasury was in actual bankruptcy. The aging king saw all this, and knew with the seeing that his own son, Rehoboam, was not equal to the task of solving the financial problems of the country and of ruling the nation. But Solomon did see and appreciate a young man who had power with men, and Solomon put this young man over all the labor of the house of Joseph. But Rehoboam left Jerusalem in flight and was met on the way.

#### II. A PROPHET STOPS JEROBOAM

Ahijah the Shilonite found and stopped Jeroboam in the way. This Ahijah was a prophet and was clad in a new robe when he met Jeroboam in the road, and Ahijah acted a parable which was also a prophecy. He drew off his new robe, tore it into twelve pieces,

threw them on the ground, and ordered Jeroboam to take for himself ten of the pieces, saying that Jehovah had rent the kingdom of David and Solomon and would give Jeroboam ten of the states of this federal kingdom, but would preserve unto the house of David one state, Judea, in which was Jerusalem the Holy City, and the little state of Benjamin, so small that it did not count.

The reason Jehovah had left one state to the house of David was for His love for David, as a sort of monument to him, and because Jerusalem was the city of Jehovah, wherein was the temple where Jehovah had placed His name. And the reason He rent the kingdom, the federal union, was that the people had forsaken Jehovah, they having refused to honor Him in reverence of His holy name.

#### III. GOD TEMPER'S JUSTICE WITH MERCY

He must do so, else, in the way of justice none of us should see salvation, but the proclamation is "Jehovah, Jehovah, a God Merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abundant in loving kindness and truth; keeping lovingkindness for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin." This was the God of Moses, the God Israel, the God of all the earth for all eternity, the God of whom another name is love. Again and over His chosen people went astray, from the path of service to Him, astray in their love of wicked gods and in their service of wicked men, and never so far away they went but He held out to them the hope of restored peace with Him, when and if they returned to Him in their love and service.

Oh, He was angry with Solomon! Certainly! God is angry with the father of sin and angry with the manifestations of sin anywhere in anybody. God's anger against sin is God's reaction to the bad, the wicked, the abominable. If within the heart of man there is harboring the cancer of sin, the anger of God is against that cancer, and He will excise it at whatsoever pain to the patient. But His anger, His active opposition to sin and the waste and wanton cruelty of sin, is always intended for the ultimate good of him or of them who have fallen into the clutch of sin and have been injured by it.

#### IV. DISASTER SPRINGS FROM CAUSES.

We are coming now to the period of the divided kingdom, and such an event in the history of God's people demands an explanation.

What causes led to the condition against which the northern states protested and finally carried their protest so far as to secede from their union with the southern states?

It is of small profit to say that the northern states should have remained in the federal union of states and that their leader was a self-seeking opportunist, a political demagogue, a mountebank and a bad man. There were good and sufficient reasons for the northern states to protest. All the legitimate reasons head up in one: the kings who built the kingdom to its greatest extent veered from a wholehearted loyalty to the God of their fathers.

This is seen among others in fact that King Solomon the Wise

### SALEM CHURCH, HINDS CO., MAKES PROGRESS Recognizes Deacons For Long Service



Shown above is Salem Church of the Lebanon Community in Hinds County, a rural church of 105 members.

A three-bedroom parsonage has recently been constructed. The 76-year-old church now has full-time services. A new church library has been opened. The church has 37 subscriptions to the Baptist Record.

Hilton L. Smith, active chairman of deacons, celebrated his 80th birthday in March. In recognition of this, the Sunday School held a special service, presenting the story of his life and awarded him a scroll of appreciation. Mr. Smith has served as Sunday School Superintendent for 27 years and as one of the deacons for 47 years.

A second deacon, Alton McNair, Sr., reached his 89th birthday on April 3, and was recognized for his long and valuable service. He was presented with a birthday cake in the shape of an open Bible.

Rev. Theodore Lea is the pastor. He and his wife, the former Margaret Schilling, attended Mississippi College. They have four

diluted and degraded the blood of God's chosen people. He made the claim of the purity of Jewish, or Israelite blood of God's chosen people a myth. Why, Solomon married the daughter of about every heathen king within a thousand miles of Jerusalem! He thus polluted the purity of the bloodstream of God's chosen people. Married for political reasons! What are they better than social reasons? or are they not the same? And along with these heathen marriages came the luxurious fashions which are inevitable where a large company of vain women strive to outdo one another in the social whirl, and this vanity and pride will show their horrid heads wherever a company of idle and ambitious women get together to show off.

There again was the matter of mounting expenses of government. The cost of government has led to many a civil clash in the history of nations, and I fear it has not led to the last one. If, in the providence of God, our own sometime may fall, it will be for no other reason than that which tore that kingdom of God's people apart. Sow, in any land under heaven the seeds of these things, Nay, just one, the forsaking of God, and all the others will come apace, and national decay and wreck and ruin will follow this one great mistake, sin and rebellion against God.

children. Mr. Lea did graduate work at Emory University last summer and plans to enter New Orleans Seminary in the fall.

### DOUBLE SPRINGS HAS FIRST YOUTH REVIVAL

Rev. Ralph Atkinson, Mississippi College, was the evangelist at the recent youth revival at Double Springs Church, in Webster County. Bobby Tullis, Louisville, led the singing. Rosie Scarbrough, MSCW, was the pianist. Jerry Beaird was the youth pastor.

This was the first youth revival in the history of the church. Rev. Howard Taylor is the pastor.

Eight Itawamba county churches and one Mission will participate in a Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign April 25-May 1. Churches to cooperate are Trinity, Evergreen, Fairview, Providence, Antioch, Mantachie Mission, Pleasant Grove and Salem.

### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

April 26 — Prof. W. E. Strang, Mississippi College faculty; Rev. Harold Savell, Leflore Association Organizer of Evangelism.

April 27 — Stance Smith, Green Association Brotherhood President; Mrs. C. E. Graves, Franklin Association W. M. U. Superintendent.

April 28 — J. W. Eubanks, Jr., Choctaw Association Sunday School Superintendent; Fan Mayhall, BSU President, Itawamba Junior College.

April 29 — Wilmer Letchworth, Lawrence Association Training Union Director, Rev. C. J. Rushing, Jones Association Missionary.

April 30 — Elmyra Manning, Baptist Building; Church, Library, Visual Aids Workshop, Jackson.

May 1 — May Festival and Annual Alumnae Meeting, Blue Mountain College; Homecoming, Parents' Day, May Day at Mississippi Woman's College.

May 2 — J. T. Biggs, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage; Harvey Hedgepeth, Trustee, Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

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**Tuesday Afternoon, May 11**

1:30—Song Service; Scripture  
2:00—Registration and Recognition

2:10—Our Host Pastor .....  
Dick H. Hall, Jr.

2:20—Welcome Address—Governor Herman Talmadge.

2:45—Southern Baptist Rural Churches—L. D. Newton

3:15—Twenty-Five Years of the Future—Chester L. Quarles

3:55—We Southern Baptists—Porter Routh

**Tuesday Night, May 11**

7:00—Devotional Period — C. A. Holcomb

7:20—Our Country Church — Cullen Crook

7:40—The Land and the Church — J. W. Sargent

8:15—Southern Baptist Stewardship—Merrill D. Moore

8:50—Address—James L. Sullivan

**Wednesday Morning, May 12**

**"FOUR STAR CHURCHES"**

9:00—Devotional Period — C. A. Holcomb

9:20—The Sunday School Grows Churches—A. V. Washburn

9:50—The Training Union Grows Members—H. T. Gibson

10:20—W. M. U. Grows Missionary Churches—Alma Hunt

10:55—The Brotherhood Supports Church Programs—George Schroeder

11:30—Caring For Our Servants—Alton Reid

**Wednesday Afternoon, May 12**

1:30—Devotional Period — C. A. Holcomb

1:50—Our Village Church Survey —Wayne Hart

2:10—Conference Periods:

Groups I and II—Associational Missions

Group I Leaders: Sam Scantlan and C. W. Caldwell

Group II Leaders: Eldred Taylor and L. G. Frey

Groups III and IV—Growing A Church

Group III Leaders: Woodrow Fuller and Floyd Chaffin

Group IV Leaders: Henry Walden and A. H. Reid

**Wednesday Night, May 12**

7:00—Devotional Period — C. A. Holcomb

7:20—Surveys by Associational Missionary—Amos Greer

7:45—The Changing Rural Community—Dan Russell

8:25—Extension Training Programs:

College—Davis C. Woolley

Seminary—Lee Gallman

9:05—Address—Courts Redford

**Thursday Morning, May 13**

9:00—Devotional Period — C. A. Holcomb

9:20—Value of the Printed Page—John J. Hurt, Jr.

9:50—Rural Work in Colleges and Seminaries—Garland Hendricks

10:20—The Rural Church Survey—John W. Wells

10:55—The Pastor in a Rural Community—Troy Prince

11:30—Address—Alma Hunt

**Thursday Afternoon, May 13**

1:30—Devotional Period — C. A. Holcomb

**Emmanuel, Grenada Has Successful Revival**

Emmanuel Church, Grenada, has recently completed a two-weeks revival meeting. Rev. Marvin Sanders, pastor of Metairie Church in New Orleans, was the evangelist. He was formerly pastor in Brookhaven.

The pastor, Rev. Harry Kellogg, led the singing; Mrs. Harry Kellogg was the organist; Miss Kate Wilson was the pianist.

There were 26 additions, 10 by letter and 16 on profession of faith. There were nine rededications. Three came asking to be baptized again.

One of the deacons, Mr. John E. Gray, Jr. surrendered his life to full-time Christian service.

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**Calvary, Waynesboro, Revival April 25-May 2**

Calvary Church will have a series of evangelistic services the week of April 25-May 2.

Rev. Tracey B. Barnett, Jr., pastor, will be the Evangelist. W. E. Tims, choir director, will lead the singing.

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A Milwaukee night club has become a Baptist church, through the mission efforts of the Wisconsin State Convention. A pulpit now stands where the bar once was.

1:50—Constituting a New Church —S. F. Dowis

2:15—Conference Periods — Same as Wednesday

**Thursday Night, May 13**

7:00—Devotional Period — C. A. Holcomb

7:20—The Schools of Missions Program—L. W. Martin

7:50—Co-operating Southern Baptists—J. B. Lawrence

8:30—The Church in the Community—T. B. Maston

9:00—Address—Monroe Swilley

**Friday Morning, May 14**

9:00—Devotional Period — C. A. Holcomb

9:20—Better Church Houses—Hardie C. Bass, Jr.

9:50—Evangelism in Rural Churches—C. E. Autrey

10:30—Visual Aids—L. O. Griffith

11:00—Music For Rural Churches —C. A. Holcomb

11:30—Closing Address — C. C. Warren

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**Gulfcoast Has Church Library Clinic****Dr. H. L. Spencer To Be Macedonia Evangelist**

DR. HARRY L. SPENCER

Macedonia Church in Lincoln County has announced plans for a revival meeting beginning April 25. Dr. Harry Lee Spencer will be the evangelist. Mr. H. Paul Thompson, local choir leader, will lead the singing.

Dr. Spencer is Executive-Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation. He is a native Mississippian and attended Mississippi College and Baylor. He received the Th. D. degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. There will be three services on the first day of the meeting, with dinner on the grounds.

Rev. A. W. Talbert is the pastor.

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**Johns Church To Ordain Four New Deacons**

Johns Church has adopted the Rotation Plan for Deacons and has elected four deacons to be ordained at 3 p. m., Sunday, April 25.

The men to be ordained as deacons are Joe Murray, Ethel Mosley, Melvin Smith, and Prentiss Boone.

Rev. Tom Everett, a past teacher in the Johns community, and now professor, preacher, and coach at Clark College, Newton, will preach the ordination sermon.

Special music will be conducted by Rev. Felix Snipes and questioning of the deacons will be conducted by Rev. Claude Howe.

Rev. Bob Louk is the pastor.

Shown above is a group that helped to organize a church library at Trinity Church, Biloxi, in connection with the Association-wide church Library Clinic in the Gulfcoast Association April 5-9. Rev. O. B. Anderson, Associational Missionary, sponsored this clinic.

Baptist Book Store Church Library Consultant, Mrs. Genevieve Day, assisted with this clinic. Mrs. E. D. Estes, librarian at First Church, Biloxi, was clinic hostess.

Tuesday morning representatives from the following churches participated in a discussion group: First Church, Biloxi; Big Ridge Church, Biloxi; Trinity Church, Biloxi; First Church, Long Beach; New Hope Church, Gulfport; Success Church, Saucier.

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Day worked with Mrs. J. D. O'Mara, librarian at Long Beach, making inventory and planning renewed emphasis in their library.

Tuesday night Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Day visited with Mrs. J. R. Martin, librarian at Grace Memorial Church, Gulfport.

On Wednesday, Trinity Church,

Rev. J. Hoffman Harris, pastor, organized a library in their church which is less than two years old. Assisting Mrs. Day were the following members of Trinity Church: Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Harris; Mmes. Harold Eldridge, W. O. Lea, Lou Porter, Roy Hopwood, Dennis Jordan, Mildred Harvey, O. A. Carroll, H. Clay Park, and Mrs. A. J. Singleton. Also assisting were Mr. Anderson, Rev. Frank Haley, pastor, Success Church; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Martin, Grace Memorial Church, and Mrs. J. D. O'Mara and Mrs. C. E. Buckles, Long Beach.

Wednesday night Mrs. Day spoke to the prayer meeting group at First Church, Biloxi, Rev. G. C. Hodge, pastor. She then spoke at New Hope Church, Rev. R. C. Clardy, pastor, about the Book Ministry.

Thursday Mrs. Day spoke at Big Ridge Church, Rev. E. D. Estes, pastor, discussing books, and problems in their library.

Plans were discussed for the future organization of a Gulf Coast Church Library Council.

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**Broadmoor Church To Open Kindergarten**

Broadmoor Church in Jackson has announced plans for the opening in September of a kindergarten for 5-year-olds.

Mrs. John E. Stone, Jackson, experienced in kindergarten work, will be the director. She has maintained in her home successfully for several years.

Rev. Gordon Sansing, pastor stated that present plans call for enrollment of 50 to 60 at the beginning. Reservations are now being received.

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**MC Team Leads Roundaway Youth Revival**

Roundaway Church in Sunflower Association had a Youth-Led Week-End Revival April 2-4. This was a climax to Youth Week in which twenty young people held places of leadership in the various organizations of the church.

A team of Mississippi College students composed of Rev. Edward Dodson as evangelist. Mr. Ivan Baugh as singer, and Miss Martha Lu Sumrall as pianist led the revival.

During the series of meetings, nine decisions were registered. There were two professions of faith and seven rededications to the Lord.

Rev. W. F. Garner is pastor.

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Nearly 500,000 persons have attended the Billy Graham London Crusade during the first five weeks of the campaign. 11,749 decisions for Christ have been reported.

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WICHITA, Kans. (BP) —The Kansas Baptist state paper was changed from Kansas Southern Baptist Beams to Baptist Digest at a recent meeting of the executive board of the Kansas Convention of Southern Baptists.



## Dr. W. R. Hunter To Lead Moorhead Revival Meeting



DR. WYATT R. HUNTER

Dr. Wyatt R. Hunter, pastor, First Church, McComb, will be the evangelist at the revival to be held at Moorhead April 25-May 2.

James Bickham, First Church, McComb, will lead the singing. Rev. Charles A. Ray is the pastor.

## RATTLESNAKE BITE DURING CEREMONY FATAL TO WOMAN

Long Beach, Calif., April 5—Police said a 72-year-old Long Beach woman died in her home today after being bitten by a rattlesnake during ceremonies at a church last night.

Elzo Smith, the woman's brother, said Mrs. Smith and her brother-in-law were bitten during ceremonies attended by about 200 at the Church of the First Born. He said about 50 persons handled the snake and it was killed after the ceremony. The rattler, he said, was brought to the church by "one of the many pastors" of the sect.

Smith said no doctor was called because it is against the church's beliefs to obtain medical care in such cases.

## Tax Bill O. K.'s Clergy Housing Allowances

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—Clergymen who are not provided with a home by the church or institution they serve are granted income tax relief under the terms of the administration's new tax reform bill passed by the House.

The bill continues a past provision that ministers furnished with a parsonage or manse are not required to declare as taxable income the rental value of such accommodations. But it extends equal benefits to clergymen who are not provided such free housing.

The latter will be able to deduct as non-taxable income the amount of any housing allowance they are given and which they need to rent a home or maintain one they own themselves.

This applies to clergymen working for schools, colleges, hospitals, religious publications or at headquarters of religious denominations as well as those serving local churches.

## Dr. E. N. Patterson To Spend Year In Study

New Orleans — Dr. E. N. Patterson, of the New Orleans Seminary, will study in two universities and travel during a year of sabbatic leave, starting in April 1954.

The New Orleans Professor of Homiletics and Director of Practical Activities plans to travel in Europe, Africa and the Middle East and to study in Oxford and Temple universities.

Following completion of the European trip, they will return to Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly. Dr. Patterson will lead the "Bible Hour" there before the assembly group, during Home Mission Week.

He will enter Temple University in September and spend the entire school term studying with Dr. Andrew W. Blackwood in the field of Homiletics and History of Preaching.

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## Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, Pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind."

He writes this column each week for the Baptist Record.

### Question:

Soon after we were married, my husband's mother came to visit us. She was giving me advice about how to manage my home which I appreciated. Then she added, "Now I want you to study my ways and try the best you can to be like me, because I'm perfect!" I was so surprised that I knew not what to say.

Can a person be perfect? What can I reply to my mother-in-law? She has been a Christian for many years and is a Sunday school teacher.

### Answer:

One thing I like about your mother-in-law, she said what she meant. That is about what most people mean when they try to reform or give advice to others.

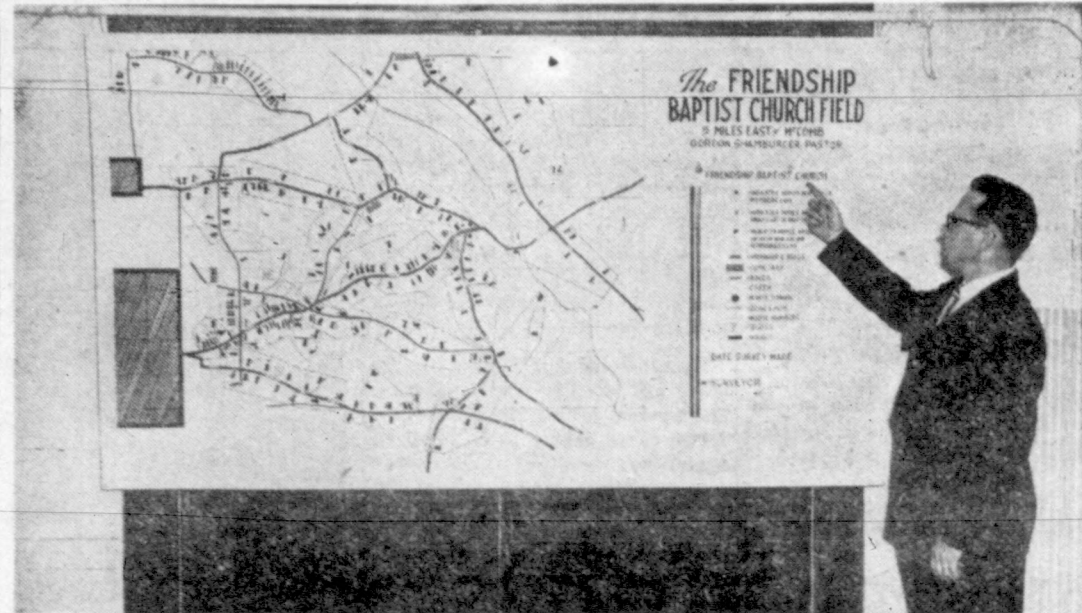
Don't answer her. It will do no good. Perhaps you could learn some things from her—about how not to be. The best thing about her visit was her leaving, no doubt. The studies show that the boy's mother breaks up more marriages than any other of the in-laws. Yours is a real problem. Even Christians are sometimes possessive and selfish, in spite of their religion.

No, you will never be perfect. (Read Matt. 19:17 and 1 John 1:8-10). We are to aim at perfection (Matt. 5:48), but all of my friends and relatives have missed the bull's eye as yet. But they are still aiming.

Don't worry about your husband's mother. She is just trying to hold what she had for twenty years before you came on the scene. But you will win if you are smart.

Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

## Friendship Church Has 8-Day Survey Program



The Friendship Church, near McComb, has just completed the 8-day Rural Church Survey and Enlargement as sponsored by the Home Mission Board. Rev. Gordon Shamburger, pastor, points with pride to the map and all the information contained thereon as a result of the survey. Conducting was Rev. John W. Wells, field secretary, Home Mission Board. "It is almost unbelievable to see the actual prospects that we have found in the four departments of our church program: Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood and W. M. U.," writes the pastor, who heartily recommends the program.

## Youth Revival Leader



REV. R. A. HANCOCK

Youth Revival at Forkville Church will be held April 28-May 2. Rev. R. A. Hancock, pastor, Hurricane Church, Marion County, Mo., will be the speaker and Rev. Felix E. Snipes, student at Mississippi College, will lead the singing.

Youth week will be observed in connection with the revival, April 25, May 2. Rev. L. Parkes Marler is pastor of the church.

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## Kentucky Man Wants More Christian Lawyers

DE LAND, Fla. —(BP)—A Louisville, Kentucky man wants more dedicated Christian young people in the profession of law. Leroy Highbaugh, Sr., says, "As I see it, lawyers write the laws, lawyers interpret the laws, and lawyers enforce the laws. I wanted to help a college of law which is church-related, because the more religion we can get into our laws the better they will be."

But he has more than words for his dream. He has announced with President J. Ollie Edmunds of Stetson University a plan for 10 scholarships, valued at \$1,500 each over a period of three years to be used at Stetson's College of Law beginning this fall. At that time the law school will move to its new campus in St. Petersburg.

## Christian Home Service Scheduled For SBC

St. Louis, Mo. —(BP)—A mammoth service celebrating the importance of Christian homes will climax the June 4, Friday morning session of the Southern Baptist Convention that opens here June 2. Announcement of the program was made by Joe W. Burton, editor of Home Life magazine, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., who will preside.

Highlighting the service will be a family worship period led by Everett D. Sugarbaker and his family and an address by Olin T. Binkley, professor of Christian sociology and ethics, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C. Two musical groups, the Ouachita Baptist College Choir, Arkadelphia, Ark., and the combined Junior choirs of St. Louis will furnish the music. Dr. Sugarbaker is a cancer specialist living in Jefferson City, Mo. He and Mrs. Sugarbaker have eight children.

The program will begin at noon Friday. Prizes will be awarded the largest family present, parents for the first time of the youngest baby, and the couple married the longest.

Mrs. Helen Hart Faris, St. Louis, will direct the Junior choir.

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There were 47 additions at the First Church, Kosciusko, during the recent revival. There were 31 additions by profession of faith, 15 by letter, and one by statement. One person volunteered for special service and there were 15 rededications. Rev. Lloyd Sparkman, pastor, was the evangelist.

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Rev. Montie A. Davis, pastor at Carson, has been invited to preach the sermon at the morning hour of the Homecoming Day services for the 75th anniversary of the organization of the Post oak, Texas, Baptist Church, April 25. Mr. Davis served the Post oak church as during his student days at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

## 50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

### 50 YEARS AGO—

A member of the Okolona Church reports the results of the revival meeting: 19 accessions, 14 for baptism. Pastor H. A. Smoot did the preaching.

The newly organized church in the "brand new town" of Prentiss closed a most successful protracted meeting of days with Rev. J. A. Lee of Wesson assisting Pastor T. J. Moore. Thirty-six persons joined the church, seven of them for baptism.

### 40 YEARS AGO—

The newly constructed church house of the Brookhaven Church is dedicated with former Pastor R. H. Purser preaching the sermon. Rev. W. M. Morgan is pastor.

### 25 YEARS AGO—

R. L. Breland reports in his East Mississippi Department column that the First Church, Philadelphia, closed a splendid revival with 40 baptisms, and "many by letter." Pastor W. W. Kyzar was assisted by Rev. W. M. Bostick who did the preaching and Jimmie Wilson the singing.

Elmer Prichard seeks to answer the following question of some one who was dubious of the new organization, "Just What Is This Baptist Student Union Anyway?"

### MILWAUKEE, Wis. (RNS) —

A coffee shop that literally has spiritual food on its menu is doing a thriving business here. The idea of putting a biblical "thought for today" at the bottom of each day's menu is EHowarth and Marie Skow's way of demonstrating their belief that "man does not live by bread alone." And their customers like the idea.